

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. *(currently amended)* A method for performing a lawful interception in a packet network, comprising the steps of:

generating $[(S2)]$ interception related information packets from a communication or network activity to be intercepted; and/or

generating $[(S2)]$ communication content packets from said communication or network activity to be intercepted;

providing $[(S3)]$ identification data for said interception related information packets and/or for said communication content packets of one group of communication packets;

providing $[(S5)]$ ordering data for each of said interception related information data packets and/or for each of said communication content packets which are generated in the generating step; and

transmitting $[(S6)]$ said interception related information packets, said communication packets, said identification data and said ordering data to an interception authority device $[(1)]$.

2. *(currently amended)* The method according to claim 1, further comprising the steps of using $[(S12)]$ said identification data for identifying interception related information packets and for said communication content packets of said one group of communication packets; and

using $[(S13)]$ said ordering data for ordering said interception related information packets and said communication content packets.

3. *(original)* The method according to claim 1, wherein said identification data is a session identification data.

4. *(original)* The method according to claim 3, wherein said packet network is a GPRS network and said session identification is data obtained from a PDP context in GPRS.

5. *(original)* The method according to claim 1, wherein said ordering data are integer numbers which are incremented for each sequential packet.
6. *(currently amended)* The method according to claim 1, further comprising the step of providing **[(S4)]** a time stamp to each interception related information packet and/or to each communication content packet.
7. *(previously presented)* The method according to claim 1, further comprising the step of providing a frame for each interception related information packet and each communication content packet, in which said identification data and said ordering data is included.
8. *(currently amended)* The method according to claim 7, further comprising the steps of providing a time stamp **[(S4)]** to each interception related information packet and/or to each communication content packet; and
 arranging said time stamp in said frame.
9. *(original)* The method according to claim 1, wherein said ordering data are such that an overflow thereof is possible, and
 said method further comprises the step of
 providing a packet group indication to each interception related information packet and/or to each communication content packet for distinguishing between the group of packets before said overflow and the group of packets after said overflow.
10. *(currently amended)* An interception system for packet networks, comprising
 at least one first network element **[(3)]** for intercepting a communication; and
 at least one interception authority device **[(1)]**; wherein said first network element **[(3)]** comprises
 a first packet generating means **[(32)]** for generating interception related information packets from a communication or network activity to be intercepted; and/or
 a second packet generating means **[(33)]** for generating communication content

packets from said communication or network activity to be intercepted;

an identification data generating means ~~[(34)]~~ for generating an identification data for said interception related information packets and/or said communication content packets associated to said communication;

an ordering data generating means ~~(35, 36)~~ for providing ordering data for each of said interception related information data packets and/or each of said communication content packets which are generated by said first and/or second packet generating means; and

a transmitting means ~~[(37)]~~ for transmitting said interception related information packets and said communication content packets, said identification data and said ordering data to said interception authority device ~~[(1)]~~.

11. *(currently amended)* The system according to claim 10, wherein said interception authority device ~~[(1)]~~ comprises

a receiving means ~~[(11)]~~ for receiving said interception related information packets and said communication content packets including said identification and said ordering data;

an identification means ~~[(12)]~~ for identifying interception related information packets and communication content packets associated to said one communication; and

a packet ordering means ~~(13, 14)~~ for ordering said interception related information packets and/or said communication content packets according to said ordering data.

12. *(original)* The system according to claim 10, wherein said identification data is a session identification data.

13. *(currently amended)* The system according to claim 12, wherein said network is a GPRS network and said identification data generating means ~~[(34)]~~ of said first network element ~~[(3)]~~ is adapted to detect said session identification data from a PDP context.

14. *(currently amended)* The system according to claim 10, wherein said ordering data are integer order numbers and said ordering data generating means ~~(35, 36)~~ are adapted to increment the order number for each sequential packet.

15. *(currently amended)* The system according to claim 10, wherein said first network element further comprises

a time stamp generating means ~~[(38)]~~ connected between said identification data generating means ~~[(34)]~~ and said ordering data generating means ~~(35, 36)~~, for providing a time stamp to each interception related information packet and/or to each communication content packet.

16. *(currently amended)* The system according to claim 10, wherein

said first packet generating means ~~[(32)]~~ adapted to provide a frame for each interception related information packet and said identification data generating means ~~[(34)]~~ is adapted to include said identification data in each frame, and

a said second packet generating means ~~(33, 34)~~ is adapted to provide a frame for each communication content packet and said identification data generating means ~~[(34)]~~ is adapted to include said ordering data in each frame.

17. *(currently amended)* The system according to claim 16, wherein said first network element further comprises

a time stamp generating means ~~[(38)]~~ for providing a time stamp to each interception related information packet and/or to each communication content packet, wherein

said time stamp generating means ~~[(38)]~~ is adapted to include said time stamp into each of said frames.

18. *(currently amended)* The system according to claim 10, further comprising

an interception related information packets delivering device ~~[(2_2)]~~ for delivering said interception related information packets from said first network element ~~[(3)]~~ to said interception authority device ~~[(1)]~~;

a communication content packets delivering device ~~[(2_3)]~~ for delivering said communication content packets from said first network element ~~[(3)]~~ to said interception authority device ~~[(1)]~~; and

a packet delivering control device ~~[(2_1)]~~;

wherein said packet delivering control device ~~[(2_1)]~~ is adapted to identify said

interception related information packets and said communication content packets associated to said one group of communication packets on the basis of said identification data, and to order said interception related information packets and said communication content packets on the basis of said ordering data.

19. *(original)* The system according to claim 10, wherein said ordering data are such that an overflow thereof is possible, and

said system further comprises a packet group distinguishing means for providing a packet group indication to each interception related information packet and/or to each communication content packet for distinguishing between the group of packets before said overflow and the group of packets after said overflow.

20. *(new)* An apparatus for performing a lawful interception in a packet network, said apparatus comprising:

means for generating interception related information packets from a communication or network activity to be intercepted; and/or

means for generating communication content packets from said communication or network activity to be intercepted;

means for providing identification data for said interception related information packets and/or for said communication content packets of one group of communication packets;

means for providing ordering data for each of said interception related information data packets and/or for each of said communication content packets which are generated by said means for generating; and

means for transmitting said interception related information packets and/or said communication packets, said identification data and said ordering data.

21. *(new)* The apparatus according to claim 20, wherein said means for transmitting transmits said interception related information packets and/or said communication packets, said identification data and said ordering data to an interception authority device.

22. (new) The apparatus according to claim 20, wherein said apparatus is a network element.
23. (new) The apparatus according to claim 22, wherein the network element is a SGSN.
24. (new) The apparatus according to claim 22, wherein the network element is a GGSN.
25. (new) An apparatus for performing a lawful interception in a packet network, said apparatus comprising:
 - a detector which detects interception related information associated to the communication to be intercepted and creates data packets, in which said interception related information is included;
 - an identifier generator, which provides identification data for said interception related information packets;
 - an ordering device, which provides ordering data for each of said interception related information data packets which are generated by the detector; and
 - a transmitter, which transmits said interception related information packets, said identification data and said ordering data.
26. (new) The apparatus according to claim 25, wherein said transmitter transmits interception related information packets, said identification data and said ordering data to an interception authority device.
27. (new) The apparatus according to claim 25, wherein said apparatus is a network element.
28. (new) The apparatus according to claim 27, wherein the network element is a SGSN.
29. (new) The apparatus according to claim 27, wherein the network element is a GGSN.
30. (new) An apparatus for performing a lawful interception in a packet network, said apparatus comprising:

a detector which detects interception communication contents of the communication to be intercepted and creates data packets, in which said communication contents are included;

an identifier generator, which provides identification data for said communication content packets;

an ordering device, which provides ordering data for each of said communication content data packets which are generated by the detector; and

a transmitter, which transmits said communication content data packets, said identification data and said ordering data.

31. (new) The apparatus according to claim 30, wherein said transmitter transmits said communication content data packets, said identification data and said ordering data to an interception authority device.

32. (new) The apparatus according to claim 30, wherein said apparatus is a network element.

33. (new) The apparatus according to claim 32, wherein the network element is a SGSN.

34. (new) The apparatus according to claim 32, wherein the network element is a GGSN.

35. (new) An apparatus for performing a lawful interception in a packet network, said apparatus comprising:

a receiver, which receives packets, comprising interception related information packets and/or communication packets, identification data and ordering data;

an identifier detector, which detects the identifier data identifying packets that belongs to same intercepted communication; and

an ordering device for ordering the received interception related information packets and/or communication packets based to the ordering data.

36. (new) The apparatus according to claim 35, wherein said apparatus is a Law Enforcement Agency device.